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Applicant : Gregory H. Lambrecht et al.
App. No. : 10/742,156
Filed : December 19, 2003
For : MINIMALLY INVASIVE SYSTEM FOR
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Examiner : Victor X. Nguyen
Group Art Unit : 3731

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Transmitted herewith for filing and consideration in the above-referenced application are the following items:

- (X) Amendment / Response Transmittal in 2 pages.
(X) Response in 8 pages.
(X) Non-Final

FILING FEES:

The present application qualifies for Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Excess Claims	17 - 20 = 0	2202 (\$25)	0 x 25 =	\$0
Excess Independent	2 - 3 = 0	2201 (\$100)	0 x 100 =	\$0
3 Month Extension	1.17(a)(3)	2253 (\$510)		\$510
			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$510

- (X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.
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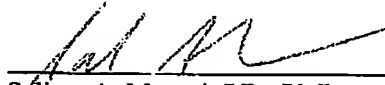
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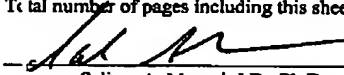
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 13, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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